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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims replaces all prior versions of claims in the application.

1. (Previously Presented) A foldable portable terminal, comprising:

a body cabinet and a cover cabinet openably/closably coupled to each other;

a first speaker disposed in the cover cabinet;

one or more sound emitting holes for passing a sound wave emitted from the first speaker, provided on an inner surface of the cover cabinet in a position opposed to a sound emitting surface of the first speaker;

one or more openings provided on an inner surface of the body cabinet in a position to be opposed to the sound emitting holes with the both cabinets closed;

a microphone having a sound collecting surface facing the openings, disposed in the body cabinet;

a second speaker for emitting a sound wave toward a rear surface of the cover cabinet, disposed in the cover cabinet;

closing means for closing the sound emitting holes in a closed state of the both cabinets, provided in the cover cabinet.

2. (Previously Presented) The foldable portable terminal according to claim 1, wherein the closing means comprises detection means for detecting an open state and a closed state of the both cabinets and a shutter mechanism for opening/closing the sound emitting holes in accordance with the detection, the shutter mechanism comprising a shutter member supported so

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as to be capable of entering between opposed faces of the sound emitting surface of the first

speaker and the sound emitting holes, and a drive mechanism for reciprocatingly driving the

shutter member in accordance with the detection, the shutter member, with operation of the drive

mechanism, entering between the opposed faces to close the sound emitting holes in the closed

state of the both cabinets, and escaping from between the opposed faces to open the sound

emitting holes in the open state of the both cabinets.

3. (Currently Amended) A foldable portable terminal, comprising:

a body cabinet and a cover cabinet openably/closably coupled to each other;

a first speaker disposed in the cover[[,]] cabinet;

one or more sound emitting holes for passing a sound wave emitted from the first

speaker, provided on an inner surface of the cover cabinet in a position opposed to a sound

emitting surface of the first speaker;

one or more openings provided on an inner surface of the body cabinet in a position to be

opposed to the sound emitting holes with the both cabinets closed;

a microphone having a sound collecting surface facing the openings, disposed in the body

cabinet;

a second speaker for emitting a sound wave toward a rear surface of the cover cabinet,

disposed in the cover cabinet; and

closing means for closing the sound emitting holes in a closed state of the both cabinets,

provided in the body cabinet,

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wherein the openings and the sound emitting holes are provided in positions to be slightly

staggered in a closed state of the both cabinets, and the closing means comprises a projection

formed within an inner surface area of the body cabinet in a position to face the sound emitting

holes in a closed state of the both cabinets, the projection closing the sound emitting holes in the

closed state of the both cabinets, and separating from the sound emitting holes with the cover

cabinet opened.

4. (Previously Presented) The foldable portable terminal according to claim 3, wherein

the projection is formed from an elastic resin.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently Amended) A foldable portable terminal, comprising:

a body cabinet and a cover cabinet openably/closably coupled to each other;

a first speaker disposed in the cover cabinet;

one or more sound emitting holes for passing a sound wave emitted from the first

speaker, provided on an inner surface of the cover cabinet in a position opposed to the first

speaker;

one or more openings provided on an inner surface of the body cabinet in a position to be

opposed to the sound emitting holes with the both cabinets closed;

a microphone disposed in the body cabinet toward the openings;

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a second speaker disposed in the cover cabinet for emitting a sound speaker disposed in

the cover cabinet for emitting a sound wave toward a rear surface thereof; and

a partition wall for partitioning a first area having the first speaker disposed therein and a

second area having the second speaker disposed therein, formed between these two areas inside

the cover cabinet,

wherein the partition wall is formed by a rib projecting from one of two inner walls

opposed to each other inside the cover cabinet toward the other inner wall, and a cushion member

intervening between an end of the rib and the other inner wall.

7. (Previously Presented) A foldable portable terminal, comprising:

a body cabinet and a cover cabinet openably/closably coupled to each other;

a first speaker disposed in the cover cabinet;

one or more sound emitting holes for passing a sound wave emitted from the first

speaker, provided on an inner surface of the cover cabinet in a position opposed to the first

speaker;

one or more openings provided on an inner surface of the body cabinet in a position to be

opposed to the sound emitting holes with the both cabinets closed;

a microphone disposed in the body cabinet toward the openings;

a second speaker disposed in the cover cabinet for emitting a sound speaker disposed in

the cover cabinet for emitting a sound wave toward a rear surface thereof; and

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a partition wall for partitioning a first area having the first speaker disposed therein and a

second area having the second speaker disposed therein, formed between these two areas inside

the cover cabinet,

wherein the cover cabinet comprises an inner cabinet half forming the inner surface of the

cover cabinet and a rear cabinet half forming the rear surface of the cover cabinet, joined to each

other, and the partition wall is formed by a first projection projecting from the inner cabinet half,

a second projection projecting from the rear cabinet half and being opposed to the first

projection, and a seal member intervening between the both projections,

wherein the first and second projections are in close contact with the seal-member.

8. (Previously Presented) A foldable portable terminal, comprising:

a body cabinet and a cover cabinet openably/closably coupled to each other;

a microphone and a first speaker disposed on inner surfaces of the body cabinet and the

cover cabinet, respectively, in positions opposed to each other with the both cabinets closed; and

a second speaker disposed on a rear surface of the cover cabinet,

wherein the microphone is rotatably disposed at an end of the body cabinet, and capable

of facing a direction deviating from the cover cabinet in a closed position with the both cabinets

closed.

9. (Previously Presented) The foldable portable terminal according to claim 8, wherein it

is possible to set a first call mode for causing the microphone and the first speaker to function

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with the both cabinets opened and a second call mode for causing the microphone and the second

speaker to function with the both cabinets closed, and the microphone is set in the first call mode

to a first rotational posture where it faces the inner surface side of the body cabinet, and set in the

second call mode to a second rotational posture where it faces a direction deviating from the

cover cabinet in a closed position.

10. (Previously Presented) The foldable portable terminal according to claim 9, wherein

the microphone is incorporated in a transmission unit rotatably disposed on an end of the body

cabinet, and the transmission unit comprises a sound collecting hole for introducing a sound

wave toward the microphone.

11. (Previously Presented) The foldable portable terminal according to claim 10, wherein

the transmission unit is rotationally driven by manual operation.

12. (Previously Presented) The foldable portable terminal according to claim 10, wherein

the transmission unit is rotationally driven by a reciprocation drive device.

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